

**BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN**  
**MAYOR AND COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
**July 15, 2019**

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Law, notification of this meeting has been sent to our official newspapers and other publications circulated in the Borough of Old Tappan, and notice posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall.

Please note fire exits located at the main entrance to the Council Chambers and in the rear of the Council Chambers.

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:            7:30 p.m.**

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	Mayor John Kramer	Present
	Councilman Ronald Binaghi, Jr.	Present
	Councilman Guy Carnazza	Present
	Councilman Victor Cioce	Absent
	Councilman Thomas Gallagher	Present
	Councilman Matthew Nalbandian	Present
	Councilwoman Jin Yhu	Present

Also Present:            Borough Clerk Jean M. Donch  
                                 Borough Attorney Allen Bell

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

**PRAYER** – Councilman Thomas Gallagher

**PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK**

Motion to open the meeting to the public – Councilman Carnazza

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion – None

On voice vote, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried.

No Public Comment

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Nalbandian

Second – Councilman Binaghi

On voice vote, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried.

**APPOINTMENT OF POLICE LIEUTENANT**

**Brett Terjanian**

Mayor Kramer administered the Oath of Office to Police Lieutenant Brett Terjanian.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Ordinance 1154-19 – Amend Recreation Fees – Resolution of Adoption**

Councilman Carnazza described the ordinance and then made a motion to open the meeting to the public.

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion - None

On voice vote, all in favor, the motion carried.

No Public Comment

Motion to close the meeting to the public – Councilman Binaghi

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – None

On voice vote, all in favor, the motion carried.

Councilman Carnazza read the resolution.

Roll Call:	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

**CONSENT RESOLUTION**

Councilman Nalbandian read the Consent Resolution

Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion – None

Roll Call:	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

## **ENGINEER’S REPORT**

### **Street Opening – 1067 North Washington Avenue**

North Washington Avenue Street Opening – Mr. Skrable is looking for guidance – PSE&G wants to replace the gas line but will abide by the decision of the town as the road was paved less than a year ago. Mr. Skrable said we can do a curb to curb opening which would be good for aesthetics. The Mayor and Council agreed to Mr. Skrable’s suggestion on the curb to curb opening.

He also reported that the 2019 road project went well and was under budget.

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **COUNCILMAN BINAGHI – DPW / CONSTRUCTION**

The DPW is busy with summer work, cutting grass, checking irrigation systems and maintaining fields. We have a new Construction Official, Bob Rusch, who is working out well; we also have a new fire inspector. Mayor Kramer read a letter from a resident thanking the Fire Department, Ambulance Corps and the DPW for all that they do.

### **COUNCILMAN YHU – SAFETY / SENIORS / AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

Met with the Safety Committee on June 19<sup>th</sup>. On June 20<sup>th</sup> met with the Senior Advisory Committee; he told them that we are here to assist them with fire detectors and transportation if they need our help. They do not meet in July and August. The Boy and Girl Scouts would like to get involved with our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event.

### **COUNCILMAN GALLAGHER – PLANNING / ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT / FIRST AID**

The Summer Concert Series has begun. Councilman Gallagher thanked the DPW Superintendent and Borough Administrator for their assistance. A Planning Board meeting was held last Wednesday; no new applications were on the agenda. A First Aid meeting will be held on Wednesday; Councilman Gallagher will attend. For the months of May and June, the Ambulance Corps answered 100% of their calls. They are working with the Fire Department and Police Department on a Rescue Task Force Training Drill. Two EMT’s and three current EMT’s will graduate for a total of five.

Councilman Nalbandian suggested placing significant Planning Board applications on the town bulletin board to communicate to residents of the going's on. Discussion ensued.

**COUNCILMAN CARNAZZA – RECREATION / GOLF / HEALTH**

The Board of Health does not have meetings in July and August. The Golf Commission met and recommended renewal of the Golf Concession agreement. We have 139 registered for golf.

**COUNCILMAN NALBANDIAN – FINANCE / FIRE / SCHOOLS / ADMINISTRATION**

Tonight we promoted Brett Terjanian to Police Lieutenant. Police negotiations are on-going.

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS**

Mayor Kramer commented that the gazebo at Oakes Park has been painted and it is a great improvement.

Borough Attorney Allen Bell advised that the Borough of Old Tappan has been certified and therefore satisfied its COAH obligations.

**ACTION ON MINUTES**

Councilman Nalbandian made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- Closed Meeting, June 17, 2019
- Regular Meeting, June 17, 2019

Second – Councilman Gallagher

Discussion – None

Roll Call:	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Rockland Electric – Tree Cutting** – no discussion

**CDL Drug Testing Policy**

Motion to Table – Councilman Binaghi

Second – Councilman Gallagher

Discussion – Councilman Gallagher recommended that the Fire Department Chief and the EMS Captain review the policy.

Roll Call:	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

**RESOLUTION**

**Appoint Designated Employer Representatives**

Councilman Binaghi read the resolution appointing the DPW Superintendent as the designated CDL Drug Testing Policy representative.

Second – Councilman Nalbandian

Discussion – None

Roll Call:	Councilman Binaghi	Yes
	Councilman Carnazza	Yes
	Councilman Gallagher	Yes
	Councilman Nalbandian	Yes
	Councilman Yhu	Yes

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Off-Road Vehicles**

Councilman Binaghi read a letter from a Churchill Road resident, Jim Boyer, pertaining to ATV and motorcycle use in residential areas. Councilman Binaghi advised that there had been past discussion on this subject in general. Jim Boyer came forward and explained where the vehicles were being used. Discussion ensued.

**Golf Concession Agreement Renewal**

Councilman Carnazza reported that the Golf Commission agreed to grant the renewal.

**PUBLIC’S OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK**

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Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion - None

On voice vote, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried

No Public Comment

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Second – Councilman Binaghi

Discussion - None

On voice vote, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Gallagher

Second – Councilman Binaghi

On voice vote, all in favor, none opposed, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sylvia Kokowski, Recording Secretary

cc: Mayor and Council  
Allen Bell, Esq.

Reviewed and approved:

Jean M. Donch  
Borough Clerk

Date Approved: August 19, 2019